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Docket No. 00-404/442
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: application of:

For:

Stephen Hustead et al.

Group Art Unit: 3725

Serial No. 10/054,131

Examiner: Jimmy T. Nguyen

Filed: January 22, 2002

Modified High Temperature

Processing Apparatus

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with <u>37 C.F.R. § 1.114</u>, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:

[X] Prior to abandonment of the application

ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is/are:

[X] New arguments

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of:

[X] Other than a small entity\$750.00

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (<u>37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)</u>) has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	FEES	
Total	4-20 =	0	X18	\$0
Independent	1-3 =	0	X84	\$ 0
Multiple dependent claims present: 0			\$280	\$ O
			TOTAL	\$0

 $[\mathbf{X}]$ As shown above, no additional fee for claims is required.

[] Total additional fee for claims required \$ ______.

EXTENSION OF TERM

6. (a)[X] Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

Extension	ree for other than		
(months)	small entity		
 			
[] one month	\$ 110.00		
[X] two months	\$ 410.00		
[] three months	\$ 930.00		
[] four months	\$ 1,450.00		

Fee: \$410

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

OR

(b)[] Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (§ 1.17(e)) \$ 750

Fee(s) for additional claims (if any) (§ 1.16(b)-(d)) \$ _____

Extension of time fee (if any) (§ 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) \$ 410

Total Fee(s) Due \$1160

PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

8. Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$1160 to Deposit Account No. 08-3115.

Authorization is also given to charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-3115.

INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors:

[X] the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

DEFERRAL OF EXAMINATION

10. [] A request for deferral of examination accompanies this request for continued examination.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 11 Ruenla 2003

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